GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3012
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LTC BY AIR
Madhwaraj Smt. Manorama

Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the rationale behind permiting Group A and B Government servants to travel on LTC by Air on Delhi-Srinagar sector when Srinagar is a violence prone area;

(b) whether Jammu is connected with important places in India with superfast trains;

(c) if so, the reasons for not restricting this facility only to Jammu-Srinagar sector;

(d) whether there is any proposal to extend LTC facility to other sectors also by air; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTRY AFFAIRS.(SHRI SURESH PACHOURI)

(a), (b) & (c): With a view to promote tourism in the Kashmir Valley, all Group A and Group B Government servants have been permitted to travel on LTC by Air Economy (Y) Class, in National Carrier between New Delhi and Srinagar for a period of 2 years, even when Jammu has good railway connectivity with major cities/town of India. The security arrangements made by the State Government for the safety of the tourists are available to the Central Government servants visiting Srinagar on LTC.

(d): No, Sir.

(e): Do not arise in view of reply to (d) above.